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Urban District of Kenilworth

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

HEALTH OF THE DISTRICT

FOR THE YEAR 1957

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To the Kenilworth Urban District Council

Mr. CHAIRMAN, LADIES and GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present to you my eighth annual report.

Since the last report there has been a further rise in population and the health statistics were satisfactory.

Once again there has been flooding of parts of the district by sewage or storm water. Substantial progress has however been made on the construction of a relief sewer. It is clear also that much work will be needed to improve and enlarge your sewage disposal works as the effluent from the existing works was not of good quality even before the recent growth of the town began.

Increased tonnage of refuse has been disposed of without nuisance, but the existing tip sites are rapidly being filled up.

It is pleasant to record that a start has been made in the removal of unfit housing by clearance or closure in the St. John Street and White's Row area.

Meat Inspection has again covered 100% of the animals slaughtered. In over one carcase in five it has been necessary to condemn some part or organ because of non-tuberculous disease and several carcasses were wholly condemned because of tuberculosis. It will be seen therefore that this service, although an onerous one for a small department, makes a real contribution towards the safeguarding of the public health.

I have greatly appreciated the interest and help which members of the council have given to me and the friendly co-operation shown by Mr. Edmundson and the other officers of the council.

I am

Your obedient servant,

D. LIVINGSTONE,

Medical Officer of Health.

Kenilworth Urban District

A. EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR.

Area	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,967 acres
No. of inhabited houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,793
Product of a penny rate	...	...	...	...	...	...	£615
Rateable value	...	...	...	...	...	...	£151,437
Population (estimated) Mid-year, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	...	12,630
Birth Rate per 1,000 population (Crude)	...	...	...	...	...	...	18
„ „ „ (Corrected)	...	...	...	...	...	...	16.9
Still Birth Rate—Rate per 1,000 total births	...	...	...	...	...	...	8.7
Death Rate per 1,000 population (Crude)	...	...	...	...	...	...	8.0
„ „ „ (Corrected)	...	...	...	...	...	...	9.3
Deaths from Diseases and	}	From Sepsis	...	...	...	...	—
Accidents of Pregnancy and		From other causes	...	...	...	...	—
Child-birth							
Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age :—							
All Infants per 1,000 live births	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
births	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
„ „ Whooping Cough (all ages)	...	...	...	...	...	...	—
„ „ Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	...	...	...	...	...	...	—

The population has increased by 430 persons. The natural increase (*i.e.* excess of births over deaths) was only 126.

Statistics for England and Wales are shown at the foot of Table II.

B. GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE DISTRICT

1. *Public Health Officers*.—The Staff is as follows :—
One combined post.—Surveyor, Water Engineer and Public Health Officer.

One Assistant Surveyor and Public Health Officer.

2. *Laboratory Facilities*.—Bacteriological examinations by Public Health Laboratory Service, Coventry :—

	Positive	Negative	Total
Diphtheria	—	—	—
Dysentery	1	1	2
Tuberculosis	—	—	—
			2

C. SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. (i) *Water Supply*.—The water supply to the area continues as before, and tenders were obtained for a new pump to serve the Birmingham Road borehole, and the order placed with Messrs. Hayward Tyler and Co. Ltd. of Luton. The Birmingham Road borehole was opened up and it was found necessary to shell this out and insert additional 6in. slotted tubes in the lower portion of the bore. The work of constructing the Pump House which was placed in the hands of Mr. James Barber, was commenced, and this portion of the contract is nearly completed and awaiting the special pipes now on order.

During January the Harland Pump was out of commission for a short time. The head gear to this was fitted with new slip rings and carbon brushes, and appears to have worked satisfactorily since.

Water main extensions were made in Inchbrook Road, on the Station Farm Estate, Woodland Road, Clinton Lane, Brooke Road, Sunningdale Avenue and the Borrowell Estate. Three new metered services were installed and 57 domestic supplies. A main repair was necessary in Henry Street, and service repairs were required on 36 occasions.

The total water pumped during the year was 162,320,000 gallons, which gives an average of 445,934 gallons per day, as compared with 466,239 gallons per day for the previous year, which shows a decrease of 7,391,180 gallons, or nearly 5%. During this year restrictions were placed on the use of hoses and sprinklers for garden purposes from the 8th June to the 30th September inclusive, and this, together with restriction in building, and the continued system of waste water inspection, has given this result.

Sixteen specimens of raw water were sent for bacteriological analyses, the results were satisfactory and showed a continued high standard of purity. A chemical analysis was taken in July, the result being as follows :—

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS OF THE WATER

	Parts per million
Free and Saline Ammonia	0
Albuminoid Ammonia	0
Chlorine in Chlorides	26.0
Nitrogen in Nitrates and Nitrites ...	2.2
Oxygen absorbed from permanganate at 80° F. in 4 hours	0
Total Solids dried at 100° C.	320
Nitrite	Absent
pH	7.37
Free Chlorine	Absent
Appearance : Bright, few small particles.	

Practically the entire population has a piped water supply. The only points without a piped supply are isolated properties in the rural portion of the district which have a supply from their own wells.

2. *Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Works.*—During this year 28 sewer stoppages were removed and lengths of sewer were cleaned out by water pressure and scrapers. These lengths were in Warwick Woad, near St. John's Street, and in Mill End from Dalehouse Lane to Stoneleigh Avenue. A sewer stoppage occurred in Waverley Road on the 7th July and caused much inconvenience through the flooding of cellar properties in that road. The stoppage was removed, and the cellars concerned were cleaned out and disinfected without charge.

A stoppage which also caused considerable trouble was discovered in Whitemoor Road. To relieve the drainage in this area an overflow was made from this sewer to a nearby surface water drain, and arranged so that it would operate only during periods of exceptional rainfall.

The sewer overflow at Bridge Street, which discharges into Finham Brook, was also cleaned out and relaid in parts, thus relieving surcharging which had been occurring in this district.

Intensive flooding occurred on the 24th June when 0.84in. of rainfall was recorded. This was a storm of considerable intensity, and sewer surcharging occurred notably in Fieldgate Lane, Bridge Street, and Mill End, where the Engine Inn was flooded to a depth of some inches.

A commencement was made on the 18th March of laying the new sewer from the Disposal Works to Warwick Road, and during the year considerable lengths were completed, most of which, owing to great depth, were laid in heading. This, when completed, should remove the risk of further sewer flooding from the areas previously referred to. There has been considerable delay in the work due to the large amount of rock encountered.

New sewer connections have been made in Queen's Road, Spring Lane, Castle Hill and Villiers Road.

Normal maintenance work has proceeded at the Sewage Disposal Works, where the difficulty of proper maintenance is becoming much more acute. Satisfactory arrangements were made for the disposal of screenings to nearby farms. During the wet summer period much of the area was under water, and there was great difficulty in providing ground for sludge drying purposes.

The gully emptying by contract is satisfactory and all street gullies have been emptied quarterly as heretofore. Cesspools are emptied by private arrangements between this firm and the individuals concerned.

3. *Rivers and Streams.*—Regular attention is paid to the cleaning out of the water courses in the district, and frequent operations are necessary through them being fouled by overflow from the sewers caused through surcharging. During the year a small length of surface water drain was laid in Malthouse Lane, and a storm overflow drain has been completed from Dalehouse Lane to Finham Brook. A water course north of The Ford was cleaned out and piped for its entire length, and considerable new lengths of surface water drain have been laid in Windy Arbour.

4. *Public Cleansing.*—House refuse collection is continued on a weekly basis, and the service is being maintained by two vehicles. The bonus scheme which was brought into operation some time ago is working satisfactorily. The means of disposal was continued at the Whitemoor Road tip until the end of June. From this date a new site was made available through the kind offer of Councillor Bostock and the help of the North Warwickshire Hunt, over whose site it was necessary to obtain access. This site was used until the 4th October, then the Whitemoor tip was again brought into operation.

At the beginning of July the Whitemoor site had been sealed off so as to prevent any possibility of a nuisance. Rat control at your tip sites has been attended to by the Warwickshire County Pests Department, and has given satisfactory results. In late October your new mechanical road sweeper was brought into use and this has given a cleaning of all the streets in the town, a thing which has not previously been possible.

D. HOUSING

	1957	1956	1955
Number of houses built by :			
(a) Local Authority 	31	—	9
(b) Private Enterprise 	134	141	101
Total number of completed houses owned by the Council 	756	743	743
Total number of prefabricated houses owned by the Council 	50	50	50
Houses converted into flats, maisonnettes, etc. and into 2 houses ...	8	2	15
Number of demolition orders made	—	—	—
Number of houses demolished and owned by the Council 	16	—	—
Closing of unfit houses 	15	2	—
Number of unfit houses made fit :			
(a) by Official Notices 	—	—	6
(b) Informally 	49	45	22

During this year 31 of the 40 houses (three bedroomed) being erected under contract were completed and occupied by tenants from the unfit houses owned by you, and in this period the whole area in St. John's Street was cleared involving 16 houses, and 15 houses were closed in Whites Row.

The Rent Act, 1957.—The new Rent Act came into force on the 6th July, 1957. Its two main effects were :—

- (a) To free from rent control houses with a rateable value in excess of £30 ;
- (b) To allow limited increases in the rents of houses still under control.

Provision is made for the tenant to object to any increase in rent on the grounds that the property is in a state of poor repair. In this connection 21 applications for Certificates of Disrepair have been received. The properties have been

inspected and each has been carefully considered on its merit. The appropriate notices of proposal to issue Certificates of Disrepair were served in 19 cases, and at the end of the year 15 landlords had given undertakings to carry out the necessary repairs.

Whilst imposing additional work on the department, it is felt that the Rent Act is of value in securing a better standard of repair in controlled properties throughout the district.

Improvement Grants.—A number of applications were received for grant towards improvements under the Housing Acts, 1949, 1954 and 1957, and grants were made in respect of 15 properties. Most of the work was completed during the year.

E. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

(a) *Milk Supply.*—Registrations under the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949 to 1955 are 12. Five supplementary licences have been issued to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk and five supplementary for Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk. Four dealers' licences to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk and six for Pasteurised Milk have also been issued, and the normal regular inspections of such premises are made throughout the year.

(b) *Ice Cream.*—There is a total of 45 premises registered under Section 16 (a) Food and Drugs Act, 1955. There are no manufacturers in the district.

(c) *Meat.*—Eleven premises are registered under Section 16 (b) Food and Drugs Act, 1955. The work of food preparation in this district is carried out under suitable conditions.

During the year private slaughterhouses in the district were regularly inspected, 585 visits having been made. A large amount of time has to be devoted to meat inspection.

The following is the statistical information with regard to the inspection of meat ;—

APPENDIX.

Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part.

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known)	516	34	99	3,241	1,667	None
Number inspected ...	516	34	99	3,241	1,667	None
<i>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</i> ... Whole carcasses condemned	—	1	—	5	2	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	108	11	Nil	133	73	None
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci ...	20.93%	35.29%	None	4.26%	4.49%	—
<i>Tuberculosis only:</i> Whole carcasses condemned ...	4	None	None	None	None	None
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	23	11	None	None	10	None
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis ...	5.25%	32.35%	None	None	0.6%	None
<i>Cysticercosis:</i> Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	None	None	None	None	None	None
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration ...	None	None	None	None	None	—
Generalised and totally condemned ...	None	None	None	None	None	—

All meat found to be unfit is transported to the knacker's yard in Rouncil Lane and sterilised before disposal.

During the year the method of handling meat has been satisfactory.

(d) *Other Trades*.—Premises where food is prepared or sold have been inspected as required, and have usually been found in reasonable condition. There is a general increase in the use of modern equipment.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955, SECTION 31

Tuberculous Milk Investigations—Routine Milk Samples for biological examinations during the year 1957, were taken by authorised officers of the County Council from places within the district with the following results :—

<i>Designation of Milk</i>	<i>Total No. of Samples</i>	<i>No. Positive</i>
Pasteurised	—	—
“ Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) ”	—	—
“ Tuberculin Tested ”	2	Nil
Non-Designated	6	Nil

F. PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Incidence of Major Infectious Diseases since 1950

	<i>Diphtheria.</i>	<i>Scarlet Fever.</i>	<i>Enteric Fever.</i>	<i>Pneumonia.</i>	<i>Anterior Poliomyelitis</i>	<i>Puerperal Pyrexia.</i>
1950 ...	2	9	1	5	—	1
1951 ...	1	17	—	68	—	—
1952 ...	—	10	—	10	—	—
1953 ...	—	1	1	3	5	—
1954 ...	—	—	—	2	—	1
1955 ...	—	4	—	9	—	—
1956 ...	—	—	—	4	—	1
1957 ...	—	1	—	3	5	1

Reference to Table III will give the age distribution of the cases notified during 1957.

Diphtheria Immunisation.—The figures were :—

	1955	1956	1957
Schoolchildren	62	12	21
Infants and children under 5 years	170	143	141
Total	232	155	162
Booster doses (all ages) ...	194	132	66

Whooping Cough.—133 children were immunised ; most of these injections were given in conjunction with Diphtheria Immunisation by the use of a combined antigen.

Anterior Poliomyelitis.—The figures for the incidence of notifiable infectious disease were very low indeed but 5 cases of Anterior Poliomyelitis were recorded, 3 being of Paralytic type. This is only the second year since the late war that the disease has been recorded in Kenilworth. All five victims were children attending school, but no very clear link was established between the cases. Unfortunately one child died on the fifth day of his illness.

Progress was made during the summer with Poliomyelitis Vaccination offered under the Ministry of Health Scheme by the County Council.

TUBERCULOSIS

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	New Cases				Transfers into District				Deaths			
	Pul- monary		Non- Pul.		Pul- monary		Non- Pul.		Pul- monary		Non- Pul.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0 ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1-5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5-10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10-15	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15-20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20-25	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25-35	—	1	—	—	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—
35-45	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
45-55	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55-65	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65 & upwards	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—
	1	2	1	1	3	3	—	1	2	—	—	—

Three new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis were notified during the year and two cases of non-pulmonary infection. Incidence was at the lowest level since 1951.

Treatment.—2 patients were admitted to the Sanatorium for treatment during the year, and 5 were discharged.

2 deaths occurred and the notifications were almost evenly distributed as to sex.

Prevention

21 persons were inoculated with B.C.G. Vaccine, three fewer than last year. At present B.C.G. Vaccination is given only to individuals at special risk.

Tuberculosis.—The following table shows the cases notified, and deaths for the past 20 years :—

	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944
Cases ...	9	10	19	14	11	9	10
Deaths...	4	4	4	8	5	2	3
	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
Cases ...	9	9	4	1	14	3	3
Deaths...	1	3	6	2	3	—	3
	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	
Cases ...	13	15	15	13	15	5	
Deaths...	2	1	—	—	—	2	

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

The old lady mentioned as Miss S. in last years' report was visited as the result of a report from the medical attendant. She was found to have had a partial "stroke" and to be bedfast with severe heart failure. She was incontinent and not receiving proper care. Accordingly a Magistrates order was obtained the same day for her removal to Warwick Hospital as a matter of urgency (30/11/57). After three weeks there her condition had improved and so action was not taken to extend the period of detention. Her home was cleaned up and rid of mice and she came home late in February 1958, but died a month later.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

*To the Chairman and Members of
The Kenilworth Urban District Council.*

Mr. CHAIRMAN, LADIES and GENTLEMEN,

I have pleasure in presenting my 21st Annual Report as your Public Health Inspector for the year ending 31st December, 1958.

Apart from the normal work of the office, it was necessary to devote much time to the commencement of the housing scheme in Dalehouse Lane and to the new sewer under construction between the Disposal Works and St. John's Street.

Water main extensions were necessary to enable private housing development to continue, although the pace in this respect has slowed down considerably. Good progress was made on your own housing site at Dalehouse Lane, and a commencement was made on the demolition of the old houses in St. John's Street. Work proceeded on the preparation of a scheme of flats to occupy the site of the condemned houses in St. John's Street, and preliminary plans are also being prepared in respect of the Whites Row site.

Much work was required on sewer cleaning, and this is a service which will have to be continued to ensure that the existing system can be used to its maximum. Coupled with this has been the difficulty of maintaining the Sewage Disposal Works in a state sufficient to handle the present large volume of water.

Once again I am pleased to say that I have had the fullest help from all the staff serving in the department, and am very appreciative of the co-operation by the Members of the Council and the Medical Officer of Health.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

G. A. J. EDMUNDSON,
Public Health Inspector.

Nuisances

Inspections for nuisance have continued as normally. A number of notices have been served in this respect, and these have generally been complied with.

Infectious Diseases

Notifications were received during the year of one case of Scarlet Fever and six cases of Poliomyelitis. All these cases were followed up in compliance with the requirements of the Medical Officer of Health.

Disinfection of Premises

Disinfection is carried out upon instructions from the Medical Officer of Health in respect of such cases, and supplies of disinfectant are given free. Disinfection is also carried out on request in serious cases.

Drainage and Sewerage

Defects were remedied in respect of drainage at ten different properties. Surcharging, which caused some flooding, occurred at several places after periods of excessive rain. The possible recurrence of this has been minimised by sewer cleaning in the part of the town concerned.

Public Cleansing and Salvage

Street scavenging for most of the year was carried out by manual labour, and the system was greatly improved by bringing into operation the use of a mechanical sweeper, which has enabled every road to be swept. The weekly house refuse collection has been maintained, although the population has increased. Tins have been salvaged at the refuse disposal sites. These are baled at the site by a portable baling machine and then collected. House refuse disposal was considerably helped by the site placed at your disposal by Mr. Councillor Bostock. The Whitemoor Road tip was closed during the summer period, when use was made of the Rouncil Lane site.

Smoke Abatement

Several complaints were received regarding smoke nuisance in the Spring Lane area, and Mr. G. W. Farquharson, the Technical Adviser of the West Midlands Advisory Council for Smoke Abatement and Atmospheric Pollution, very kindly placed his services at your disposal, and visited the area.

Open-Air Bathing Pool

The Swimming Pool was opened to the public on the 25th May and was closed on the 29th September. The recorded attendances for the period are given below, with comparisons for previous years:—

			1957	1956	1955
Adults	...	...	8,327	4,613	11,306
Children	...	...	12,113	12,169	21,016
Spectators	...	...	5,021	3,803	7,865
Sundays	...	...	4,194	2,846	6,348

A new chlorination plant was installed to give break-point chlorination, and this was very successful and a great improvement on the previous method, enabling a consistently high standard of water to be maintained. The pumping plant worked satisfactorily throughout the season.

On the 24th June flooding was caused in the Baths through surcharge. The Baths were closed for several days, during which period, as a precautionary measure, they were emptied and re-filled. A Bacteriological analysis, which proved satisfactory, was obtained before the Baths were re-opened.

The filtering media of the pumping plant was replaced, and the roof of the pump house was stripped and retiled. Tests were taken three times daily for residual chlorine and pH values.

Verminous Premises

In cases of verminous premises insecticides have been supplied to help in the cleansing. During the year five such houses were inspected, entailing eight visits.

Food Hygiene Regulations 1955

Inspections of food premises in connection with the food Hygiene Regulations continued throughout the year. Many premises were found to fall short of the requirements of the Regulations, and 17 informal notices have been served.

Milk.—There has been little trouble with this type of food, and distribution has been generally satisfactory. All deliveries are in enclosed bottles, and no complaints have been received of dirty ones.

There is a total of 12 distributors and one dairy now registered under the Milk and Dairies Regulations, 1949. All the milk which is sold is Designated Milk.

The following licences to sell Designated milk has been issued :—

Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949.

Supplementary licences (Tuberculin Tested)	...	5
Dealers' Licences (Tuberculin Tested)	... ..	4

Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised) Milk Regulations, 1949.

Supplementary Licences (Pasteurised)	... ..	5
Dealers' Licences (Pasteurised)	... ..	6

UNFIT FOOD

The following foodstuffs were voluntarily surrendered as being unfit for human consumption :—

Soup	...	...	...	...	2 tins
Milk	...	...	...	...	2 tins
Meat	...	...	...	...	15 tins
Vegetables	...	...	...	...	24 tins
Fruit	...	...	...	...	4 tins
Ham	...	...	...	...	8 tins
Chicken	...	...	...	...	1 tin
Fish	...	...	...	...	70 lbs.
Ham	...	...	...	...	14 lbs.
Bacon	...	...	...	...	3 lbs.

The goods were all destroyed on your refuse tip.

(b) *Ice-Cream.*—Forty-five premises are now on the Register. All the Ice Cream sold in this district is pre-packed, eliminating the risks of contamination very considerably.

(c) *Meat and Meat Products.*—Two premises carry out slaughtering. All meat is inspected, involving a large amount of time. The standard of meat generally is good and the conditions satisfactory. The disposal of offals, etc., is properly attended to.

There have been 12 renewals to slaughter or stun animals under Section 3, Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933 ; the number of premises registered for the manufacture of sausages, potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale has been increased to 11.

(d) *Other Food Preparing Premises*.—Catering establishments have been visited as circumstances permitted, and the general standard is satisfactory.

Factories

The number of factories on the Register is 55, 54 being power factories and 1 non-power factories. Most of these premises being modern are well-maintained and hygienically quite satisfactory.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Rodent control has been done by a part-time employee, and 1,214 visits have been made.

The refuse tips and Sewage Disposal Works are subject to continuous treatment during the year. Treatment has also been given to the main sewers, but there is fortunately small evidence of rats.

New Buildings

- 75 Houses and Bungalows.
- 6 Estate layouts.
- 40 Alterations and additions.
- 91 Garages.
- 5 Workshops and Extensions.
- 1 School.
- 1 Gymnasium.
- 2 New shop fronts.
- 3 Conversions.
- 2 Change of use.

TABLE I.

KENILWORTH URBAN DISTRICT.

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE IN THE SANITARY INSPECTOR'S
DEPARTMENT DURING THE YEAR, 1957.

	Inspections and observations made	Notices served and complied with			
		In-formal	In-formal abated	Formal	Formal abated
GENERAL SANITATION.	Water Supply	8	—	—	—
	Drainage	51	11	10	—
	Stables and Piggeries	9	2	2	—
	Fried Fish Shops	4	—	—	—
	Tents, Vans and Sheds	25	6	6	—
	Factories	29	—	—	—
	Workplaces	—	—	—	—
	Bakehouses	6	—	—	—
	Public Conveniences	4	—	—	—
	Theatres and Places of Entertainment	4	1	1	—
	Refuse Collection	84	63	63	—
	Refuse Disposal	72	—	—	—
	Rats and Mice	98	—	—	—
	Miscellaneous	114	—	—	—
HOUSING.	Knackers Yard	3	—	—	—
	UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS:				
	No. of houses inspected ...	59	39	23	—
	Visits paid to above houses	98	—	—	—
	UNDER HOUSING ACTS:				
	No. of houses inspected ...	38	27	25	—
	Visits paid to above houses	44	—	—	—
	UNDER RENT ACT, 1957:				
	No. of houses inspected ...	21	—	—	19
	Visits paid to above houses	44	—	—	15
	VERMINOUS PREMISES:				
	No. of houses inspected ...	3	—	—	—
	Visits paid to above houses	7	—	—	—
	Applicants for Council Houses	32	—	—	—
MEAT AND FOOD INSPECTION. I.D.P.	Inquiries in cases of I.D. ...	6	—	—	—
	Visits re Disinfection	3	—	—	—
	Miscellaneous infectious disease visits	14	—	—	—
	INSPECTION OF MEAT:				
	Visits to Slaughterhouses ...	585	—	—	—
	VISITS TO:				
	Butchers	10	10	8	—
	Fishmongers and Poulterers ...	4	1	1	—
	Grocers	28	2	2	—
	Greengrocers and Fruiterers ...	2	—	—	—
	Dairies and Milkshops	12	—	—	—
	Ice-cream Premises	31	—	—	—
	Restaurants	8	—	—	—
	Public Houses	—	—	—	—
	Miscellaneous Food visits ...	13	—	—	—
		1573	162	141	19
					15

Voluntary Surrender of Unsound Food	No.
Seizure of Unsound Food	10
Samples of Ice-cream taken for Examination	—
Samples of Well Water taken for Examination	—

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST INFECTIOUS DISEASE	
Houses disinfected after cases of Infectious Disease	1
Schools disinfected after cases of Infectious Disease	—
Lots of Bedding steam disinfected or destroyed	—
Prosecutions for Exposure of Infected Persons or things	—
Convictions for Exposure of Infected Persons or things	—
Prosecutions for failure to notify existence of Notifiable Disease	—
Convictions for failure to notify existence of Notifiable Disease	—

G. A. J. EDMUNDSON,
Public Health Inspector.

TABLE II.
KENILWORTH URBAN DISTRICT.
VITAL STATISTICS OF WHOLE DISTRICT DURING 1957 AND PREVIOUS
YEARS.

YEAR.	Population estimated to Middle of each Year.	BIRTHS.		NETT DEATHS BELONGING TO THE DISTRICT.			
		Nett.		Under 1 Year of age.		At all Ages.	
		Number.	Crude Rate.	Number.	Rate per 1,000 Nett Births.	Number.	Rate.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1949	10,230	195	19.0	9	46	107	10.5
1950	10,550	148	14.0	2	13	94	8.9
1951	10,610	170	16.0	7	41	127	12.0
1952	10,710	177	16.5	3	17	144	13.4
1953	10,870	202	18.5	8	39.6	121	11.1
1954	11,110	180	16.2	6	33.3	102	9.2
1955	11,550	196	17.0	7	35.8	114	9.9
1956	12,200	231	19.0	6	25.9	103	8.5
1957	12,630	228	18.0	—	—	101	8.0

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*Birth-rate, Death-rate, and Infantile Mortality during the Year 1957.
(Provisional Figures).*

Annual Rate per 1,000 Population.						
			Live Births.	Still Births per 1,000 Births.	Deaths under Deaths. one year to 1,000 Births.	
England and Wales	...	...	16.1	22.4	11.5	23.0

TABLE III.

KENILWORTH URBAN DISTRICT.

CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR,
1957.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASE.	Number of Cases notified.								Total cases removed to Hospital.
	At all Ages.	At Ages—Years.							
		Under 1.	1 to 5.	5 to 15.	15 to 25.	25 to 45.	45 to 65.	65 and upwards.	
Small-pox ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plague ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Diphtheria (including Mem- branous Croup) ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Erysipelas ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Scarlet Fever	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Typhus Fever ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enteric Fever ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pneumonia	3	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	1	.....
Malaria ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dysentery ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Meningococcal Infection ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Acute Poliomyelitis (including Polioencephalitis)	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Whooping Cough	20	2	13	4	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mcasles	169	3	85	80	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....
Other forms of Tuberculosis	2	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Food Poisoning ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	204	5	99	90	3	3	2	2	2

TABLE IV.
KENILWORTH URBAN DISTRICT
CAUSES OF DEATH DURING THE YEAR 1957

CAUSES OF DEATH.	MALES.	FEMALES.
1 Tuberculosis, respiratory	2	—
2 Tuberculosis, other	—	—
3 Syphilitic disease... ..	—	—
4 Diphtheria	—	—
5 Whooping cough	—	—
6 Meningococcal infections	—	—
7 Acute poliomyelitis	1	—
8 Measles	—	—
9 Other infective and parasitic diseases	—	—
10 Malignant neoplasm, stomach	—	—
11 Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus ...	1	—
12 Malignant neoplasm, breast	—	2
13 Malignant neoplasm, uterus	—	1
14 Other malignant and lymphatic neo- plasms	5	4
15 Leukaemia, aleukaemia	—	—
16 Diabetes	—	—
17 Vascular lesions of nervous system ...	8	12
18 Coronary disease, angina	9	6
19 Hypertension with heart disease	2	3
20 Other heart disease	7	6
21 Other circulatory disease	3	3
22 Influenza	—	—
23 Pneumonia	2	2
24 Bronchitis... ..	—	2
25 Other disease of respiratory system ...	—	1
26 Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	1	—
27 Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	—	—
28 Nephritis and nephrosis	2	1
29 Hyperplasia of prostate	2	—
30 Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	—	—
31 Congenital malformations	—	—
32 Other defined and ill-defined diseases	2	4
33 Motor vehicle accidents	—	2
34 All other accidents	2	1
35 Suicide	2	—
36 Homicide and operations of war	—	—
All causes	51	50

